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SUBJECT: RUSSIA INFORMED OF US POLICY ON LETHAL MILITARY EQUIPMENT EXPORTS TO LIBYA

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Classified By: Minister-Counselor for Political Affairs Alice G. Wells.
Reasons 1.4 (B/D).

¶1. (S) We briefed Sergey Vershinin, Director of the Foreign Ministry's Middle East and North Africa Department, on reftel policy on exports of lethal military equipment to Libya, and we followed up June 19 with Sergey Petlyakov, Director of the Arms Technology and Transfer Policy office in the MFA's Department for Disarmament and Security Affairs.

¶2. (S) Both officials appreciated the information concerning US policy but neither offered any substantive comment.
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